Fox Prairie Enews

September 4, 2020

What a great first week!

Dear Families,

We had a wonderful first week! It was so nice to see all of the kids' smiling faces. If you are having any issues, please feel free to reach out. This is new to all of us so we are learning together:)



If you know of any families that are not receiving the enews, please have them reach out to the school so we can make sure we have their correct email.

See you on Tuesday (virtually)!

Mrs. Rogers and the Fox Prairie Staff

Computer Mouse Pick Up

Our computer mice from Working for Kids have arrived! Families of students in 1st-5th grade are invited to stop at the school office 8:00-3:30 to pick up your computer mouse.

Welcome to Ms. Langum in 2nd Grade

Please welcome Ms. Langum in 2nd Grade! Her first day with us was on Thursday. She is looking forward to meeting with all of her students and getting to know them.

Playground Ball Donation

A HUGE thank you to Jennifer Korish for organizing the Elementary School Family Playground Ball donation! Several Fox Prairie Families and other community members were gracious enough to help with this donation.

In 2 weeks of fundraising, families were able to purchase and inflate 330 playground balls to donate amongst the 3 Elementary Schools in Stoughton! These playground balls were distributed at each school to families in need during the Family Meet & Greets. The playground balls will be implemented throughout our Virtual PE Lessons.

More donations to come! The goal is to fundraise for enough playground balls so that every Stoughton Elementary School Family will be able to receive one. If your family is in need of a ball and did not receive one yet, please stay tuned for another opportunity in the near future to acquire one for your family!

Thank you again to the families that have donated!

SCHEDULE FOR VIRTUAL LEARNING

All students will have the same morning start times for lessons:

8:00

9:30

10:45

Each morning, the homeroom class will start with a Morning Meeting and then begin their instruction. Depending on the grade level, lessons may not take the full time scheduled as we start the year.

In the afternoon, schedules will vary based on the needs of the students. Teachers will be getting to know students in the afternoons for the first two weeks with individual or small group zoom meetings. Music, Art, PE, Library or Counseling lessons will start this week. They are recorded lessons that can be done in the afternoon.

We will no longer have Closing Meetings at the end of the day.

Below is a sample schedule. Each grade level will have their own schedule shared with families.

3:00 - 8:15	Morning Meetings		
8:15 - 9:15	Group 1 ELA: Wit and Wisdom WIT & WISDOM	Group 2 Math & Number Corner BRIDGES N MATHEMATICS	Group 3 Phonics/Deep Dive
9:15- 9:30	Brain Break		
9:30 - 10:30	Group 1 Phonics/Deep Dive	Group 2 ELA: Wit and Wisdom	Group 3 Moth & Number Corner BRIDGES N MATHEMATICS
0:30- 10:45	Brain Break		
0:45 - 11:45	Group 1 Math & Number Corner BRIDGES IN MATHEMATICS	Group 2 Phonics/Deep Dive	Group 3 ELA: Wit and Wisdom WIT & WISDOM
1:45- 1:00		Lunch & Free Time	
1:00 -2:50	Social Studies/Science	Specialists Specialists	Enrichment
2:50 -3:05		Closing Meetings	

Live, synchronous instruction opt-out

Dear Parents and Guardians,

In light of the District starting the year with remote instruction, our District will be communicating electronically with parents and using electronic means and virtual/online platforms to facilitate the provision of educational services. To manage learning, students will use the following platforms:

Grades K-2 Seesaw

Grades 3-5 Google Classroom

Grades 6-12 Schoology

To that end, your child's teacher will provide virtual lessons and/or discussions via Zoom.

Tacchere will use 700m to held experience live instruction with students, including both full

classroom, small group, and (potentially) 1:1 meetings. Teachers will directly invite students to a password-protected video conference through a district-managed application. Students will accept the invite through their district-managed Google account. This is a direct connection and no additional log-in is required if students are already logged into their accounts. The video classroom is for school managed activities only. It will be the responsibility of the teacher to disconnect the video session once the lesson or check-in has been completed. Students should be located in a quiet environment that is free from distractions or items which may not conform to school rules and *guidelines*. Students must also wear clothing that conforms to the District's dress code, and comply with all other aspects of the District's Code of Conduct. To promote confidentiality of student information, your student should not include other children or adults in your household in the lesson or meeting.

One change from last year is that synchronous live learning will be recorded, and posted to your student(s) learning management system. Recording lessons will help keep students engaged in their class work, and allow for students to review previous lessons at a later time. All recorded lessons will be stored in district approved applications and learning management systems (SeeSaw, Google Classroom, or Schoology, depending on grade level) and will require a student account to access.

If you **do not** consent for your child to participate in recorded, synchronous live instruction, and/or you do not give permission for your child to participate in possible live, small group instruction that is not recorded, please let us know by filling out this electronic form *linked here*.

In Partnership,

The SASD Administrative Team

5th Grade Orchestra

Dear Families,

As you may be anticipating, we will be pausing on our fifth grade orchestra program for the 2020-2021 school year. We do not believe we can lead the program in a meaningful way in a remote environment. Further, we want to ensure that if and when students choose to participate in a musical instrumentation program, that it is under conditions that will allow them to fully experience the benefits of becoming part of the orchestra. We appreciate your understanding of this decision, and do refer you to our Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Kate Ahlgren (Kate.Ahlgren Stoughton.k12.wi.us) for any questions or concerns you may have.

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

 SeeSaw for k-2 and Google classroom for 3-5 will be used for assigning, collecting and giving feedback on student



work.

- SeeSaw will be used for communication across all grades.
- Stay tuned for more information



Seesaw for Parents

web.seesaw.me

Stay connected with your child's learning through Seesaw. Get realtime notifications about your child's progress and easily interact. Available for iOS, Android, Email, SMS and all computers.

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURE

Attendance will be taken daily at the elementary level. Teachers will take attendance during each of the synchronous (live) instructional sessions, and will look for work activity at the end of the school day. If at 4:00 PM a student has not been "present" during the school day, an automated message will be sent to their family.

Have no fear! If your student completes activities between 4:00 PM and the next school day, we can easily change the student's attendance during the following school day.

Click Here for District Technology Support

INFINITE CAMPUS PORTAL

Is your Parent/Guardian Infinite Campus Portal account set up and active? Is your household information accurate? Please take a moment to verify by going to this <u>site</u>.

This is a great tool to have to review your child's student information (attendance, grades, lunch payments, schedules, etc) as well as for registration and contact purposes. If you discover you do not have an account, cannot remember your login information or other related questions, please contact the Stoughton Area School District Infinite Campus Specialist:

Amanda O'Brien

Infinite Campus Specialist |Open Enrollment Coordinator Stoughton Area School District P: (608)877-5045 (Please leave a voicemail)

Fox Prairie Shout Outs

If you would like to recognize a staff member here at Fox, please complete this form. We love to celebrate our great staff!



Fox Prairie Elementary School

Mrs. Rogers, Principal (877-5101)

Mrs. Wolf, Dean of Students (877-5124)

Ms. Durtschi, School Psychologist (877-5106)

Mrs. Luedtke, School Counselor (877-5135)

Mrs. Kolb, School Social Worker (576-6375)

Mrs. Hanson and Mrs. Schroeder-Zywicki, Health Assistants

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